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For: Bi-Directional Ring Network )  
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**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

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**INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS**

Prior to calculating the filing fee for this divisional application, please make the following amendments.